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SEXUAL ASSAULT SUSPECT SOUGHT

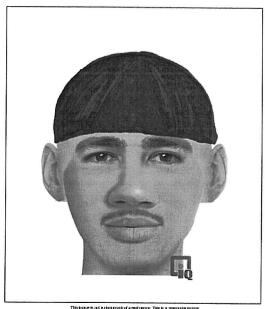
(San Diego) San Diego Police Department Sex Crimes detectives are asking for assistance from the public in identifying and locating a suspect thought to be responsible for two sexual assaults and one attempted sexual assault against women in the Mission Bay and Pacific Beach areas. A composite of the suspect in these cases can be found on page two.

The victims in these cases are all adult women who have given similar descriptions of the suspect. The first case was an attempt sexual assault that occurred on September 14 at about 2 a.m. in the 4600 block of Soledad Mountain Road (near Garnet Avenue). The victim was walking alone. The second case occurred on December 15 at about 4 p.m. in the 2600 block of Grand Avenue (on the bike path north of Grand). This case involved a sexual assault and this victim was alone at the time of the attack. The third case occurred on December 28 at 3:30 a.m. in a public restroom near 2700 N. Mission Bay Drive. This victim was also alone and was sexually assaulted. She was able to provide detectives with enough information for a composite drawing.

The suspect did not use, display or threaten a weapon in these attacks. He is described as a Hispanic male, in his late 20s to late 30s, 6'1" tall with a medium build and a moustache. He was wearing a knit cap, a black long-sleeved, mock turtleneck sweater, black jeans, black (possibly checkered) Vans-style shoes, a black belt with a square silver buckle and silver stud protrusions around the waist.

Safety precautions include: park in well-lighted areas; try and arrange to walk with groups rather than alone; report any suspicious persons or activity to the police department immediately; carry your cell phone with you but do not talk on the phone while walking as you may be distracted; be aware of your surroundings at all times.

Anyone with information on the identity or location of this suspect is asked to call the SDPD (619) 531-2000. You may also call Crime Stoppers anonymous, toll-free tip line at (888) 580-TIPS. You could be eligible for a reward of up to \$1000 dollars for information that leads to an arrest in these cases.



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